IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE DISTRICT OF DELAWARE

NOVO NORDISK A/S,)	
Plaintiff,)	
v.)	C.A. No. 05-645-SLR
SANOFI-AVENTIS, AVENTIS)	
PHARMACEUTICALS INC., and AVENTIS PHARMA DEUTSCHLAND GMBH,)	
Defendants.)	

AVENTIS'S NOTICE OF DEPOSITION OF ROBERT B. SMITH

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that pursuant to Rules 26 and 30 of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure, Defendants Aventis Pharmaceuticals Inc., sanofi-aventis, and sanofi-aventis Deutschland GmbH (referred to collectively as "Aventis") shall take the deposition upon oral examination of Robert B. Smith beginning at 9:00 a.m. on November 9, 2006 at the offices of Fitzpatrick, Cello, Harper & Scinto, 30 Rockefeller Plaza, New York, NY 10112-3800 or at a time and place to be mutually agreed upon by counsel. The deposition will be recorded by stenographic means, may be videotaped, and will take place before a Notary Public or other officer duly authorized to administer oaths and will continue from day to day until concluded.

You are invited to attend and cross-examine.

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that on the 1st day of November, 2006, the attached **AVENTIS'S NOTICE OF DEPOSITION OF ROBERT B. SMITH** was served upon the below-named counsel of record at the address and in the manner indicated:

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